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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 3731

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| Gary K. Michelson |) | |
| Serial No.: 10/090,506 |) | Group Art Unit: 3731 |
| Filed: February 27, 2002 |) | Examiner: Uyen Ho |
| For: MILLING INSTRUMENTATION |) | |
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action of January 4, 2005, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R.
§ 1.116, Applicant proposes that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.